

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-45 were pending in this application. Claims 1-45 were rejected. No claims have been amended, added, or cancelled. Thus, claims 1-45 remain pending.

Claims 1-12, 15, 17-32, 35, 37-41, 43, and 44 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Publication No. 2002/0129060 of Rollins et al. (hereinafter "Rollins") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,675,354 of Claussen et al. (hereinafter "Claussen"). Claims 13, 14, 16, 33, 34, 36, 42, and 45 were rejected as being unpatentable over Rollins and Claussen in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,760,748 of Hakim (hereinafter "Hakim"). Thus each of the rejections relies upon Rollins as a primary reference.

The Applicants respectfully submit that Rollins is not properly prior art to the present invention. The Applicants are concurrently filing a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 to establish that the subject matter of the rejected claims was reduced to practice prior to the effective date of Rollins.

Applicants respectfully submit the Declaration and associated exhibits as proof that the rejected claims were reduced to practice prior to the earliest filing date of Rollins cited by the Examiner as prior art in the Office Action mailed August 25, 2006. As a result, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejections over Rollins.

Applicants respectfully submit that neither Claussen nor Hakim teach or suggest "providing a Web application framework, said framework including an abstract command tag that predefines at least some generic Web application activities; specifying at least one custom action that is desired to be performed by a Web

application; creating an object oriented programming (OOPL) class that extends the abstract command tag for providing execution logic for said at least one custom action, in addition to pre-existing logic that supports said at least some generic Web application activities, thereby creating a corresponding customized command tag that is capable of being embedded within a Web page." Therefore, the claims are not obvious over the combination of references suggested by the Examiner.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that in view of the declaration and discussion set forth herein, the applicable rejections have been overcome. Accordingly, the present and amended claims should be found to be in condition for allowance.

If a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Judith Szepesi at (408) 720-8300.

If there are any additional charges/credits, please charge/credit our deposit account no. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,
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